

2020 Minnesota MN State Over-The-Course Championship Results

June 27 & 28, 2020 Sponsored by Minneapolis Rifle Club

Saturday was a fine hot day, great if you were a camel or on a beach with a cool refreshment. For shooters not too pleasant temperature wise, but there was almost no wind which is a blessing at MRC. Day one of the MN OTC Championship was started with the "Presidents Rifle Match" followed by a Team Match. Scores were tight with the exception of a new shooter to the Presidents Rifle Match. In the end Jeff Jezierski won the match with an aggregate score of 295-15X, Tim Thole was first with a 291-6X and Tim Strum was second with a 289-4X.

Due to the heat and a lack of shooters the team match was canceled.

Sunday brought the Over-The-Course State Championship. This year it was combined Service Rifle and Match Rifle. Sun, heat and no wind again plagued the shooters with heat stress. The sunlight was harsh causing mirage issues. On the match rifle side, Brad Yliniemi and Jeff Jezierski fought it out to the end with Jeff edging out Brad by two points. Jeff clinched the State Championship by shooting a 790-24X to Brad's 788-24X.

The Service Rifle Shooters also were very tight, 3 points separated the top shooters when done. Rich Boyarski was Match Winner shooting a 772-16X, Tim Strum was first with a 771-21X and Barry Bollin was second with a 770-19X. Rich is a Wisconsin resident and is not a member of MRRRA so he could not receive the MN Champion Trophy.

The second issue that happened as that due to the harsh lighting conditions, the bulletin was miss read and it was thought Tim Strum was shooting a Match Rifle, in fact he was shooting a Service Rifle. At the match Barry Bollin received the Service Rifle Trophy. This issue was brought to life when the match director reentered all the scores into an Excel Spreadsheet. To verify the score cards were also audited. The cards indicated Tim was shooting a Service Rifle and all reported scores were correct. The match director Barry Bollin and Tim Strum met to audit the score card and discuss. After checking all the information, Barry, declared that he did not win the match and Tim Strum should be the MN Service Rifle Champion. Acting on Barry's recommendation, the Championship was awarded to Tim Strum.

There is need to point out what a great example of Sportsmanship Barry set! He looked at the scores and there was no question in his mind that Tim Strum was the Service Rifle Champion! Barry insisted that Tim take the Trophies. This is a great example of what rifle shooting is all about, doing the right thing and a lesson to be shared by all. I would also like to mention that Barry's 7770-19X was his best score that he ever shot with a Service Rifle and he is very proud of it!

As it stands the following Minnesota Champion Trophies are awarded to:

Jeff Jezierski - MN State OTC Champion 790-28X, Sitting Rapid Fire 198-6X, Prone Rapid Fire 200-9X and Match Rifle Champion 790-28X

Brad Yliniemi - Offhand 197-4X

James Biles - Grand Senior 748-25X and Prone Slow Fire 200-12X

Tim Strum – Service Rifle Champion 771-21X

My thanks to all the shooters that came out, special thanks to Barry Bollin and Rich Boyarski for being great sports!

George Minerich, MRRRA President

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Staturday - Presidents Rifle match

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				<i>Rapid Fire</i>		<i>Slow Fire</i>				
Richard	Boyarski	86	0	97	1	99	5	282	6	
Todd	Underdahl	89	1	97	2	96	3	282	6	
Tom	Thole	94	2	100	3	97	1	291	6	First
Ryan	Johnson	76	1	91	2	90	1	257	4	
Jeff	Jezierski	96	2	99	5	100	8	295	15	Match Winner
Tim	Strum	93	0	99	2	97	2	289	4	Second
Ray	Tolliver	95	2	93	0	96	0	284	2	

No Team Match Not Fired Due to Lack of Interest

Sunday OTC Championship

<i>First</i>	<i>Last</i>		<i>Standing</i>	<i>X's</i>	<i>Sitting</i>	<i>X's</i>	<i>Prone</i>	<i>X's</i>	<i>Prone</i>	<i>X's</i>	<i>Match</i>	<i>X's</i>	<i>Rapid Fire</i>	<i>X's</i>	<i>Slow Fire</i>	<i>X's</i>	
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Brad	Yliniemi	Match Rifle	197	4	195	4	199	11	197	5	788	24	394	15	394	9	First Place
Jeff	Jezierski	Match Rifle	192	3	198	6	200	9	200	10	790	28	398	15	392	13	MN OTC Champ, Match Rifle
Todd	Underdahl	Service Rifle	168	0	189	3	196	5	184	3	737	11	385	8	352	3	
Jim	Biles	Match Rifle	183	3	166	4	199	6	200	12	748	25	365	10	383	15	Grand Sr.
Tim	Thole	Service Rifle	180	2	197	5	191	1	197	7	765	15	388	6	377	9	
Rich	Boyerski	Service Rifle	187	2	195	5	194	2	196	7	772	16	389	7	383	9	Service Rifle MW, Second Place
Ray	Tolliver	Service Rifle	186	3	185	1					371	4	185	1	186	3	
Barry	Bollin	Service Rifle	187	3	191	2	195	6	197	7	770	18	386	8	384	10	
Bruce	Rawlings	Match Rifle	37		193	4	195	7	186	3	611	14	388	11	223	3	
Tim	Strum	Service Rifle	190	5	196	5	193	4	192	7	771	21	389	9	382	12	MN Champ Service

Awarded MN State Trophy